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WOLVERINE ..... pg. 1

BLOOD HUNGRY
Part 7 of 8
"SEVEN (AND A HALF) SCENTS"

At the close of last issue, Wolverine confronted Cyber as he was about to finish off Tiger Tyger and General Coy. Now, he must fight a battle he doesn't want to fight and prevent Cyber's plans from coming to fruition!

Writer — PETER DAVID
Artist — SAM KIETH
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BEAST ..... pg. 9

JUST FRIENDS
Part 7 of 8
"BRING ME THE HEAD OF THE BEAST!"

Last issue, The Beast grabbed his former lady love from the hands of Commander Courage. but did she want to be saved? Now, Beast must convince her that he is on the side of right, while the Constrictor battles a horde of Were-borgs!

Writer — SCOTT LOBDELL
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MARVEL READERS PRESENT

Dear Terry,

Status Report #85

Wolverine: It's always nice to see Logan use his Diner's Card. Gee, that water needs a shave—doesn't he know there's health regulations?

I've never been a Sam Kieth fan—that is, until now! He draws one killer Wolverine. However, here's one case where I wish Logan wouldn't wear his mask. Sam's art captures the beast in the man, but I think he went to the same fashion design school as Erik Larsen. Please omit Wolvie's mask before it takes flight! Yes, I'm talking about those colossal flippers that stick out of Logan's shower cap. Some artists tend to draw those things so large that they could pose as a hat rack. Sam's one of those select few. Sometimes I almost wish Logan would change his costume and not wear a mask. How about it, Marvelites? Mask or no mask?

As far as the story goes, who in their right mind could fault anything that Peter David writes. This guy could write about the adventures of a common house fly and fill 22 pages with utter mayhem. So, do I like the story? Is Tiger Tyger sexy? Darn straight I like the story. I've a feeling Cyber is going to be a major villain in the months to come—undoubtedly in Wolverine's own series, and even in the X-MEN!

3 Claws (with hot dogs on the end. Can't have ketchup without the wieners.)

Firestar: Hmm! Angelica handled Blob pretty nifty. Not many people can get the big guy so easily. Pyro? A fire porcupine? (Bwah! Ha! Ha!) Oops, wrong comic company. Well, at least it wasn't a fire beetle, he's already been fired (Bwah ha ha)!

1 (Ahem! Ahem!) 3/4 Claws!

Beast: Oh my stars and garters. Now this is the way the Beast should be drawn. Rob Liefeld, you're a saint. Not many artists give us this wild and wooly appearance. Most of them think he should have an all-over crew cut. Not only that, but Hank's humor is back.

Scott Lobdell: the wonderboy is back with a vengeance. If you guys keep this up, I'll be buying BEAST #1, the series. If any X-Man deserves his own solo title, it's the Beast. Keep the humor, keep the action, keep that blow dryer and curling iron hot. Let's get that fur flyin'. Marvel: Let's see the BEAST series! Fans, flood 'em with mail! Lord, that poor mail lady—can her colt handle so many letters?

3 Big Blue Furry Claws!

Speedball: I'm beginning to like our blue bounder over in the NEW WARRIORS, but I think his solo career keeps bouncing around a bit too much. This is probably one of his few solo adventures I've fairly enjoyed. At least his villains are taking a step forward, but what's the deal with that name? "The Dude in the Really Rad Armor?" Dare I resort to it once more: (Bwah Ha Ha!) Howzabout "Metaboilik," or the "Epidermic Man," or "Armorphosis?" (Bwah Ha Ha!)

Gettin' better guys—keep trying.

Lord, those bubbles are making me dizzy.

1 3/4 Claws!

Covers: Front piece? Poster! Poster! 3 Claws! Back Piece? Jae Lee? Does Jim Lee have a sibling in the biz? Let's see more.

2 1/2 Claws!

One last thing. Have I created a stable of Marvel Monsters out there, or what? Keep those letters flying, critics at large! Maybe Terry'll give in to all our demands. My system is yours—call 'em as you see 'em. Make me proud to be a critic. And hey: see ya at the MCP!

Len Biehl
Rantoul, IL

And we're proud to have you too, Len. Few letter writers can claim that they've sparked a new generation of criticism like you have. Your suggestions for names of Scott Lobdell villains are beyond compare, and your "claw system" has done more for these pages than, say, Scott's stories (okay, it's close... Bwah! Ha! Ha!)!

WOLVERINE in
BLOOD HUNGRY
PART SEVEN
SEVEN (AND A HALF) SCENTS

SNIKT
SNAKT
MINE'S BIGGER.
DINER! DON'T MOVE! I WANT THOSE DRUGS!
BANG!
SCREECH
HE MOVED
NOT THIS TIME, CYBER. NOT THIS TIME.
WELL.
WE APPEAR TO HAVE A PROBLEM.
WELL.
THAT BEING?
WE HAVE A FILE OF BODIES, YOU AND I.
YES, OUR DECEASED HENCHMEN.
YOU SEE HOW IT WOULD LOOK. YOU AND I ARE SUPPOSED TO BE UNDERWORLD HEADS.
TRUE. SUCH A MASS LOSS DOES NOT CAST US IN OUR BEST LIGHT.
WORSE. IT'S A MAJOR EMBARRASSMENT WHICH CANNOT GO UNANSWERED. THERE MUST BE RETRIBUTION.
YOU'RE SPEAKING OF A WAR. NO PRISONERS.
IT WOULD SEEM INEVITABLE. IT IS NOW A MATTER OF HONOR.

...AND I SLICED YOUR BELLY OPEN, JUST LIKE LAST TIME.
WELL, LOGAN...
...YOUR STUPIDITY WAS CONSISTENT WITH MY EXPECTATIONS.
YOU LEAPED ONTO THIS TRUCK, DIDN'T HAVE YOUR GUARD UP PROPERLY, JUST LIKE LAST TIME...
KEVLAR UNDER YOUR COSTUME! BLUNTED MY ATTACK, AND YOUR SPEED DID THE REST! CAUGHT ME OFF GUARD! VERY GOOD, LOGAN!
YOU ALWAYS WERE A SLOW LEARNER.
WAIT.
I DON'T SMELL BLOOD.
I'LL UNCLOG YOUR NOSE FOR YOU.
EVEN SLOW LEARNERS LIVE TO LEARN ANOTHER DAY.

GIVE ME YOUR BEST SHOT, THEN.
HAH! THAT'S IT, COME ON!
PATHETIC.
PATHETIC BECAUSE YOU'RE MOVING LIKE A SLUG.
THAT'S YOUR PROBLEM, ISN'T IT, BECAUSE YOU'RE AFRAID.
LOST YOUR EDGE, LOGAN!
GONE TOO LONG IN A WORLD WHERE YOU STACK UP EASY KILLS LIKE CORDWOOD.
YOU KNOW JACK ABOUT MY WORLD.
WHUMP!
I KNOW THIS. I JUST SLICED YOUR FOREARM.
AND MY CLAWS ARE STILL TIPPED WITH THE HALLUCINOGEN. SHOULD BE KICKING IN ANY TIME NOW.

A GANG WAR WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE.
CERTAINLY FOR YOU.
YOU ARE THAT CONFIDENT, TIGER TYGER?
EVEN MORE SO FOR YOU. IF WE WAR, YOU WILL LOSE SO MANY MEN, AND THEN THE CROWNING INDIGNITY OF BEING DEFEATED BY A WOMAN...
YOU ARE THAT STUPID, GENERAL COY.
I AM NOT THAT STUPID.
FORGIVE ME. PERHAPS YOU ARE MARGINALLY LESS STUPID THAN THAT.
THAT'S BETTER.

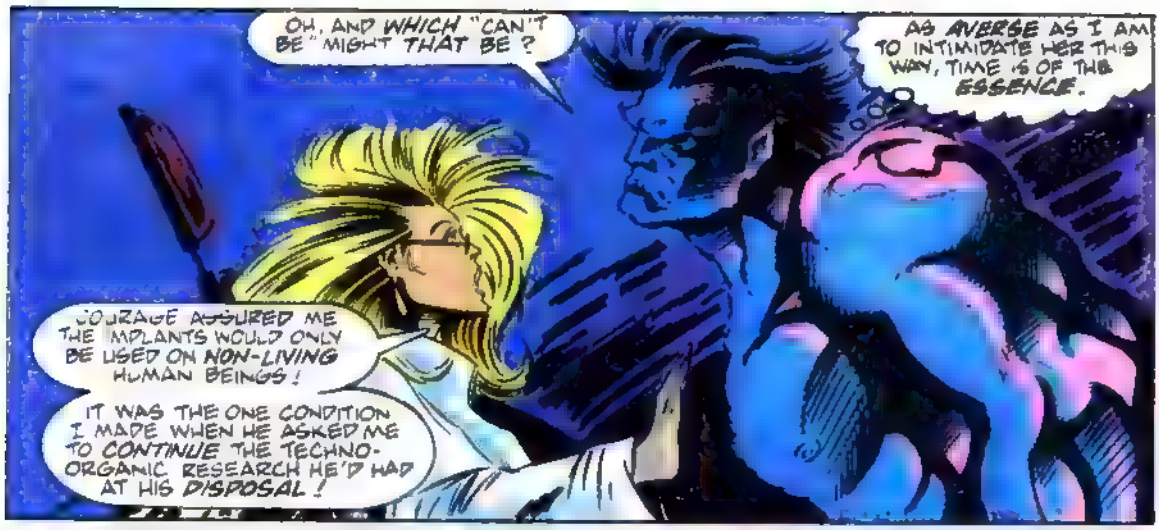
WHAT'S THAT I SEE BEHIND YOU?
PERHAPS IT'S THE SAME THING I SEE BEHIND YOU.
LET'S LOOK, SHALL WE?
YES, LET'S.
I SAW NOTHING.
NOR DID I.
THEN I IMAGINE WE SAW THE SAME THING.
YOU KNOW, YOUR PLANTS WOULD STAY HEALTHY IF YOU WATERED THEM MORE.
I THINK THEY JUST GOT WATERED TOO MUCH, ACTUALLY.

WATER COMING DOWN... MAKING IT HARDER TO HOLD ON TO THE TRUCK.
AND THE FLUIDS INSIDE MY BODY... MAKING IT HARDER TO HOLD ON TO MYSELF.
KRRESSHH
EXCUSE ME.
SO, LOGAN!
WE SHOULD DO THIS MORE OFTEN.
HALLUCINATIONS KICKING IN YET, LOGAN?
NO! NO MORE OF THIS BULL!
WHAT DO YOU SEE? THE TRUTH OF THINGS? THE NONSENSE OF YOUR PATHETIC POSTURINGS OF BEING "THE BEST?" READY TO QUIT?

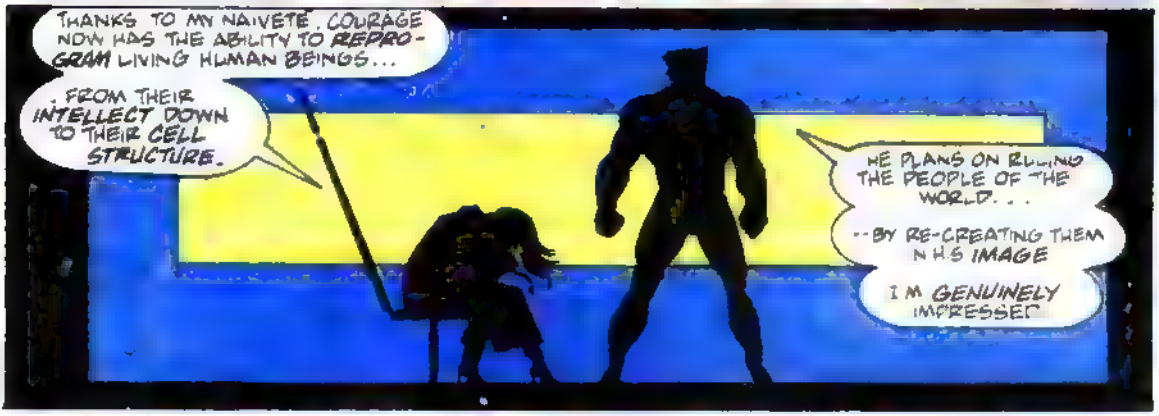
YOU'VE GOT A MENTAL BLOCK ON ME.
I ADMIT THAT.
YOU'VE GOT ME SHAKY AND UNCERTAIN.
I ADMIT THAT.
BUT DEFEAT?
SNIKT!
THAT I'LL NEVER ADMIT!
NEV--
AAAAAAAAAA
CONCLUDES NEXT ISSUE...

MMMPGH PHRNM
SHHHH
BRING ME THE HEAD OF THE BEAST!
"Just Friends"
PART SEVEN

GOOD GOSH.. I THOUGHT THEY'D NEVER LEAVE.
WHO KNEW BELGIUM WAS SUCH A HAPPENING COUNTRY?
UNNPH!
SO YOU'RE INSIDE THE COMPUTER LAB.
WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH?
TAP TAP TAP
SHHHH
I'M TYPING.
THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST SOPHISTICATED COMPUTER PROGRAMS IN THE WORLD.
YOU COULDN'T POSSIBLY HOPE TO DECIPHER THE--
--INTRICATE CODES NEEDED TO...
BREAK IN?
...YEAH, BREAK-IN.
TAP TIP TIP TIP-TAP TIP
PROJECTED WERE-BORG IMPLANT TARGETS.
Russia: Red Guardian
America: Henry Peter Gyrich
Canada: Madison Jefferies
America: Anthony Stark
Latveria: Victor Von Doom
STARS AND GARTERS, AND CHEESE AND CRACKERS...
COMMANDER COURAGE-- YOU'RE QUITE THE AMBITIOUS GUY
NO... THIS CAN'T BE!


OH, AND WHICH "CAN'T BE" MIGHT THAT BE ?
AS AVERSE AS I AM TO INTIMIDATE HER THIS WAY, TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.
COURAGE ASSURED ME THE IMPLANTS WOULD ONLY BE USED ON NON-LIVING HUMAN BEINGS !
IT WAS THE ONE CONDITION I MADE WHEN HE ASKED ME TO CONTINUE THE TECHNO-ORGANIC RESEARCH HE'D HAD AT HIS DISPOSAL !

BUT WHERE IS THE BENEFIT IN INJECTING THESE INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE WITH THE WERE-BORG IMPLANTS--
--IF THEY'RE ONLY GOING TO TURN INTO MINDLESS MONSTROSITIES ?
THE WERE-BORGS YOU'VE BEEN BATTLING ARE A RES...T OF THE EARLIEST INCANARNATIONS OF THE IMPLANTS.
THE RED GHOST'S SUPER-APES WERE THE FIRST SUCCESS-FUL VARIANTS I'D CREATED.

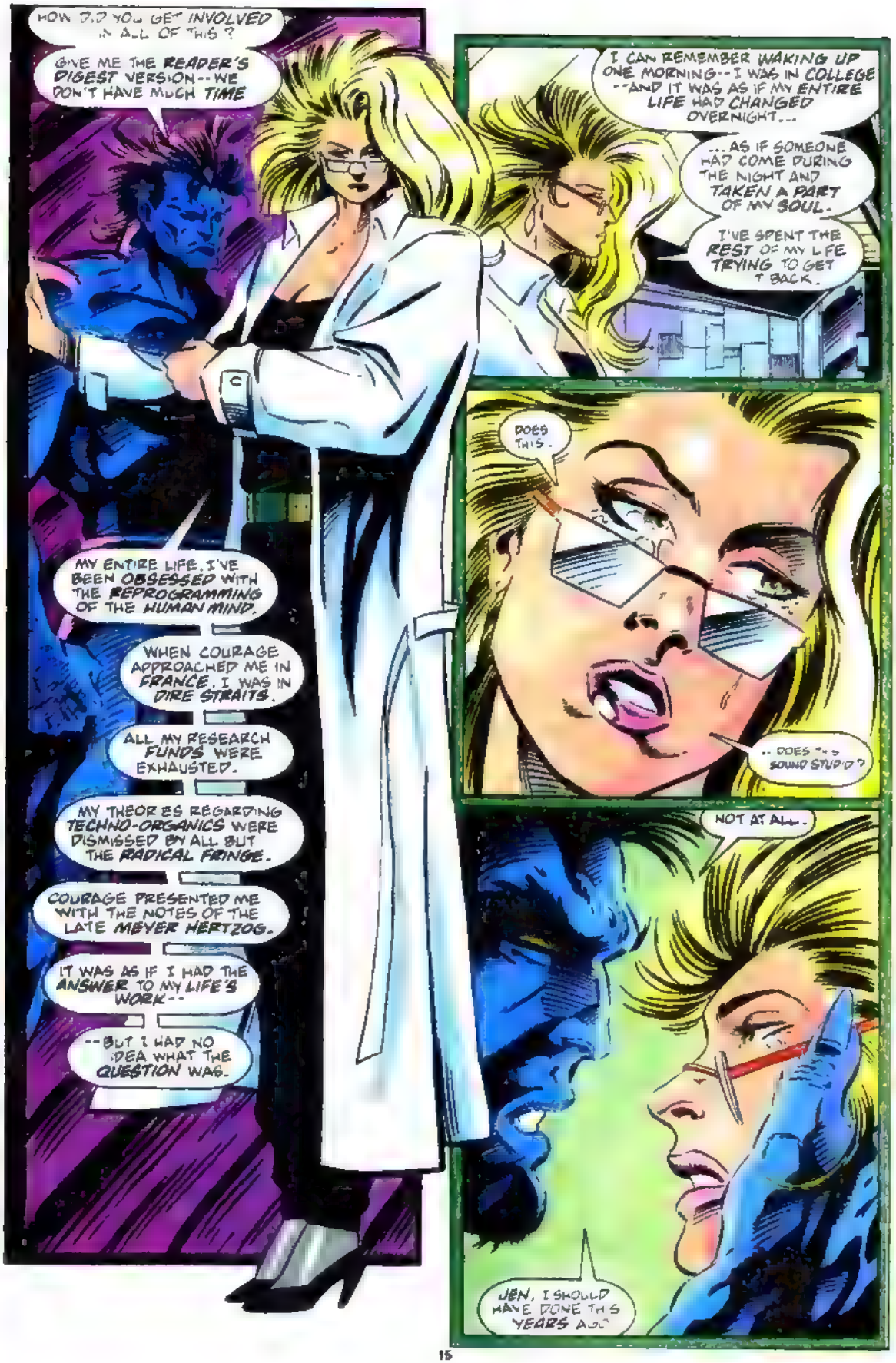

THANKS TO MY NAIVETE, COURAGE NOW HAS THE ABILITY TO REPRO-GRAM LIVING HUMAN BEINGS...
...FROM THEIR INTELLECT DOWN TO THEIR CELL STRUCTURE.
HE PLANS ON RULING THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD...
--BY RE-CREATING THEM IN HIS IMAGE
I'M GENUINELY IMPRESSED

ACCESS: SUPER-APES
WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?
TAP
TAP
TAP
TAP
TAP
TAP
TAP
WOULD YOU BELIEVE...
...I'M CALLING IN THE CAVALRY ?

MEANWHILE...
I NO SOONER TAKE OUT THE SUPER-APES--
--THAN I'M ATTACKED BY WERE-BORGS ?!
WHAT I WOULDN'T GIVE FOR A--
--MACHINE GUN ?!
YOU REALIZE I WAS BEING RHETORICAL.
BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA
SKMASH
<DO YOU SPEAK FRENCH, MY FRIEND ?>
<I WOULDN'T BE MUCH OF A GLOBE-TROTTING ASSASSIN IF I DIDN'T>
<IS IT SAFE TO ASSUME YOU'RE THE INSIDE MAN THE BEAST MENT ONED EARLIER ?>
<YES. I WAS IN SEARCH OF INFORMATION LEADING TO THE DISAPPEARANCE OF MY COLLEAGUE.>
<AND WHAT'D YOU FIND OUT ?>
TZZZT SMASH
HE WAS KILLED BY HIS OWN EXPERIMENTS WITH TECHNO-ORGANICS-- A COMMANDER COURAGE STOLE HIS NOTES TO CREATE THE WERE-BORG IMPLANTS.

YOU GET THE IMPRESSION WE JUST INTERRUPTED THE WERE-BORG VERSION OF "DOCTOR"?
MORE LIKELY, IT IS A GAME OF "ASSASSIN".
IT WOULD APPEAR THEY'RE ABOUT TO KILL THE AILING DR. IVAN KRAGOFF.
THE RED GHOST?! I HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS FOR THAT GUY!
THEN ALLOW ME--
BUDDA BUDDA-BUDDA
--TO REMOVE HIS ATTENDING PHYSICIANS.
OKAY, DOCTOR MISTER RED GHOST, SIR--
--LET'S GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVE.
SNAP
I MUST OBJECT TO YOUR MANHANDLING OF THAT SICK AND ELDERLY MAN!
"MANHANDLING?!" ARE YOU SERIOUS?
I'M A HIRED ASSASSIN! HE'S LUCKY HE'S GETTING AWAY WITH A MANHANDLING.
BESIDES--HE'S BETTER OFF STAYING WITH US THAN MEETING UP WITH YOUR COMMANDER COURAGE
WHO, NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, IS PROBABLY THE GUY THAT HIRED ME TO KILL THE BEAST AND FRAME THE RED GHOST!
I AGREE WE SHOULD BE CAUTIOUS THERE ARE WERE-BORGS LURKING AROUND EVERY--

(--CORNER.)
COMMANDER COURAGE, RIGHT?
INDEED. YOU WERE ALSO CORRECT IN YOUR ASSUMPTION THAT I USED YOU TO DISTRACT THE BEAST UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN BRUSSELS. WHO IS YOUR FRIEND?
YOU'RE IN. WHAT ARE YOU TYPING?
"COMMAND SUPER-APES:...
"...HELP CONSTRICTOR."
CLICK CLICK
WHAT IS THIS?! I DID NOT COMMAND THE SUPER-APES TO ENTER THIS AREA! AND WHY DO THEY SEEM POISED TO ATTACK... ME?!
ORROO ORRROO
CREEP CREEP
MAYBE SOMEBODY ELSE IS PULLING THEIR STRINGS.
YOU WANT TO BET HE'S A BIG FURRY BLUE GUY WITH A MASTER'S DEGREE?


HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED IN ALL OF THIS?
GIVE ME THE READER'S DIGEST VERSION--WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME
I CAN REMEMBER WAKING UP ONE MORNING--I WAS IN COLLEGE --AND IT WAS AS IF MY ENTIRE LIFE HAD CHANGED OVERNIGHT...
...AS IF SOMEONE HAD COME DURING THE NIGHT AND TAKEN A PART OF MY SOUL.
I'VE SPENT THE REST OF MY LIFE TRYING TO GET IT BACK.
DOES THIS.
.. DOES IT SOUND STUPID?
NOT AT ALL.
JEN, I SHOULD HAVE DONE THIS YEARS AGO
MY ENTIRE LIFE, I'VE BEEN OBSESSED WITH THE REPROGRAMMING OF THE HUMAN MIND.
WHEN COURAGE APPROACHED ME IN FRANCE, I WAS IN DIRE STRAITS.
ALL MY RESEARCH FUNDS WERE EXHAUSTED.
MY THEORIES REGARDING TECHNO-ORGANICS WERE DISMISSED BY ALL BUT THE RADICAL FRINGE.
COURAGE PRESENTED ME WITH THE NOTES OF THE LATE MEYER HERTZOG.
IT WAS AS IF I HAD THE ANSWER TO MY LIFE'S WORK--
--BUT I HAD NO IDEA WHAT THE QUESTION WAS.

H...
...HANKO ?
SMASH
IT FIGURES!
I'M GETTING MY COILS KICKED ALL OVER BELGIUM, AND HE GETS THE GIRL!
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Dear Marvel,

I'm only a recent reader of MARVEL COMICS PRESENTS. I just started reading with the Weapon-X storyline. I think this was one of the finer stories of the year. I've always been a fan of the incomparable Barry Windsor-Smith, and his art was at its usual best. Though I'm not a large Wolverine fan, Barry is one of my favorite artists (along with Frank Miller), and I had to buy each issue. I wasn't disappointed. I just wish Barry would do a monthly book for a while.

But, I just read the first chapter of "Blood Hungry," and I've found that I shouldn't stop collecting the series just because Barry left. Peter David's writing is awesome as usual and Sam Kieth portrays a cool Wolverine. The series looks really good, and I think Cyber looks, well... formidable.

Joe Kenney
Fort Ashbey, WV

Dear Terry,

Despite trying, I'm just not a mutant fan. Well, that's a little unfair as really there is no difference between a series about mutants and any other series, if you take every character as an individual. Let's just say that I dislike the majority of mutant characters and I'm not a fan of Chris Claremont's writing. Guess that puts me in a minority, huh? Well, to each their own...

As a result of the above, I don't make a rule of buying MARVEL COMICS PRESENTS unless I see something special. In issue #85, I saw three something specials...

In the Wolverine story, my favorite writer Peter David and the excellent Sam Kieth were aboard. I like Wolverine, but I'm of the school of thought that he's drastically overused, so I have to restrict myself to just the cream of the crop. Both Peter and Sam look capable of making this one of the best Logan stories I've read in a long time.

The other reason that sealed my purchase was the appearance of my all-time favorite mutant character, Hank McCoy. I like Hank because he's one of the few X-people with a sense of humor—and Scott Lobdell captured that perfectly in this first chapter. Nice Rob Liefeld art, too—not too bulky.

As for the other features, I'm not that familiar with Firestar, but it's nice to see Dwayne Turner's art again. I didn't care for the Speedball story. Mr. Lobdell, you win some, you lose some.

You've got me for the next eight issues. After that, who can tell? In the meantime, this may be a little premature, but after missing Barry Windsor-Smith's Weapon-X saga only to be constantly bombarded by rave reviews wherever I look... are there any plans of a trade paperback reprinting this series? I guess that taught me to pay more attention to this book...

Rol Hirst
Rushgrove Farm
Holt Head, Slaithwaite
Huddersfield, W Yorks, HD7 5TY
England

There aren't any plans at the moment, Rol, but we'll keep you and all our others readers informed as soon as news comes out. Thanks for writing.

And, in closing, you may have noticed the subtle format change that's occurred here on the title page(s) and covers of MARVEL COMICS PRESENTS. We think this is a great new look for the book that sends us skyrocketing into the '90s, and we're wondering what you guys think of it. So how about it, Len, Rol, Charles and everyone else—what do you think? Drop us a line!

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GHOST RIDER ..... pg. 1
SERVANTS OF THE DEAD
Part 2 of 8
"CHASE IN THE DARK"

Ghost Rider and Cable have stumbled onto some very strange goings-on beneath the Cypress Hills Cemetery. Now, Ghost Rider must decide whether or not to ally himself with Cable--but he better do it fast, because the Grateful Udead are closing in!

Writer — HOWARD MACKIE
Penciler — GUANG YAP
Inker — BUD LAROSA
Letterer —JANICE CHIANG
Colorist — FRED MENDEZ

IMPOSSIBLE MAN ..... pg. 9
"TRUTH OR DAREDEVIL"

The Poppupian prankster with the ability to rearrange his molecules into any form he chooses is on an ImpQuest for his missing children.

Writer —DAVE MANAK
Penciler — DAVE MANAK
Inker — DON HUDSON
Letterer — DAVE SHARPE
Colorist — ARIANE

IN TWO WEEKS: WOLVERINE'S FINAL BATTLE AGAINST CYBER! THE BEAST TAKES ON COMMANDER COURAGE AND HIS WERE-BORGS! GHOST RIDER & CABLE VENTURE DEEPER INTO THE MYSTERY OF THE SERVANTS OF THE DEAD! PLUS, AN ALL-NEW NORTHSTAR ADVENTURE!

SERVANTS OF THE DEAD
PART 2 OF 8
CHASE IN THE DARK
GIVE ME A MINUTE AND I'LL HAVE THIS THING OFF, BUT--
--I DON'T THINK THEY'LL WAIT!
ENOUGH TALK.
GHOST RIDER AND CABLE

FINE BY ME. JUST DO SOME THING BEFORE THOSE WEIRDOS GET AWAY WITH MURDER!
tchunk
SHRAK
THANKS
THESE ARE THE ONES THAT HURT THE GIRL?
YEAH THEY TOOK HER FROM ME -
--AND IT LOOKS LIKE THEY DON'T LIKE WHAT I DID TO THEIR PALS

THEIR EFFORTS WILL PROVE FUTILE.
YEAH... RIGHT.
WAIT THEY'RE WITHDRAWING. WHAT HAVE THEY GOT UP THEIR--
SPLOOSH
SPLOOSH
BLOOD.
HERS.
THEY'VE MARKED US.
OR WARNED US OFF. EITHER WAY IT DOESN T MATTER--
-- THEY'RE NOT GIVING UP THE GIRL!

WHERE ARE YOU HEADING?
THEY HAVE SPILLED THE GIRL'S BLOOD.
SHE MUST BE AVENGED.
WAIT. SHE MAY NOT BE DEAD YET
I'M COMING WITH YOU
NO.
YES.
WHO ARE YOU DOING THIS FOR, GHOST RIDER?
THE GIRL OR YOURSELF? I'VE READ ABOUT YOU IN THE PAPERS. WHAT'S YOUR DEAL?
NEITHER OF US KNOWS HER SHE'S NOTHING TO US
I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN
BY THE WAY, THE NAME'S CABLE.

NO!
GO BACK! SAVE YOURSELVES! YOU CAN'T SAVE ME! I'M ALREADY--
AACK
THIS CAVERN IS ENORMOUS!
BEST BET IS TO SET UP A GRID PATTERN AND SEARCH FOR THEM SYSTEMATICALLY
BEHIND THOSE ROCKS.
OTHERWISE, WE'LL NEVER FIND--
AND ON TOP OF THEM ALL!
SURRENDER!
YOU HAVE WITNESSED THAT WHICH NO SURFACE DWELLER HAS EVER SEEN
YOUR DEATHS WILL BE QUICK!

THANKS...
... BUT I WAS KIND OF COUNTING ON A SLOW AND LINGERING ONE!
T-THOOM
toom toom
EITHER WISH CAN BE ACCOMMODATED
SHRAK
tchink
RELEASE THE FEMALE!
WHOOSH
THE PAIN THAT YOU HAVE INFLICTED ON HER SHALL BE REPAID--
--TENFOLD!
NOOOOOOOO
THE GIRL. THEY ARE DRAGGING HER OFF AGAIN.
YEAH AND THAT ISN'T OUR ONLY PROBLEM.
UP AT TEN O'CLOCK

THEY'RE PULLING OUT THE HEAVY ARTILLERY. TIME TO TAKE EVASIVE MANEUVERS.
HOLD ON.
CH-KOOM
EXACTLY WHAT I HAD IN MIND
TOOM TOOM
KBOOM
KBOOM
GET US OUT OF HERE! THEY TOOK HER OVER THAT BRIDGE!
THEY WILL NOT ESCAPE MY WRATH.
THE GIRL WILL BE SAVED.

THE BRIDGE.
KRNCH!
IT WAS A TRAP!
YES. ONE THAT WILL LEAD TO YOUR DEATHS AT THE VERY CENTER OF THE EARTH!
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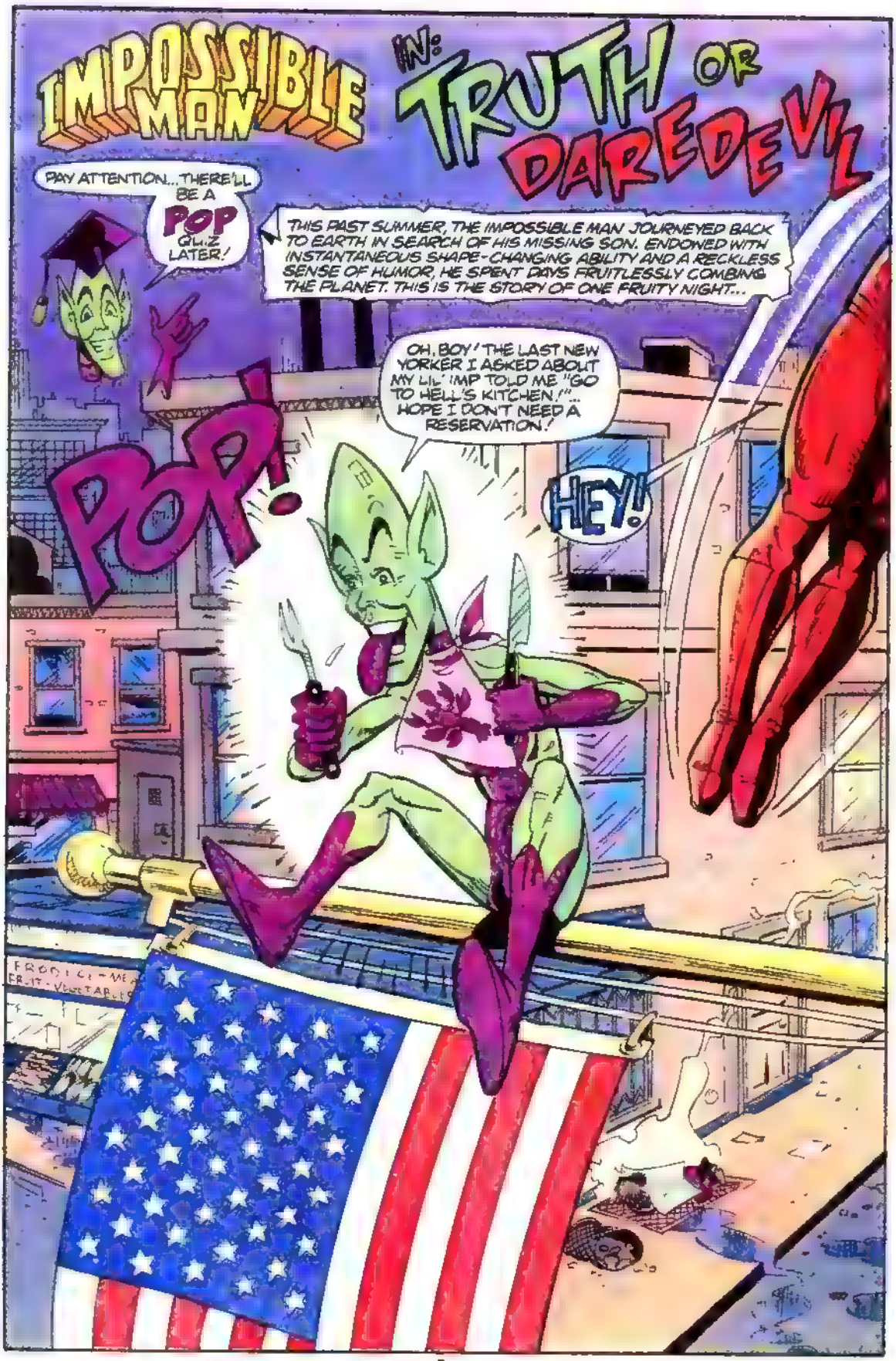
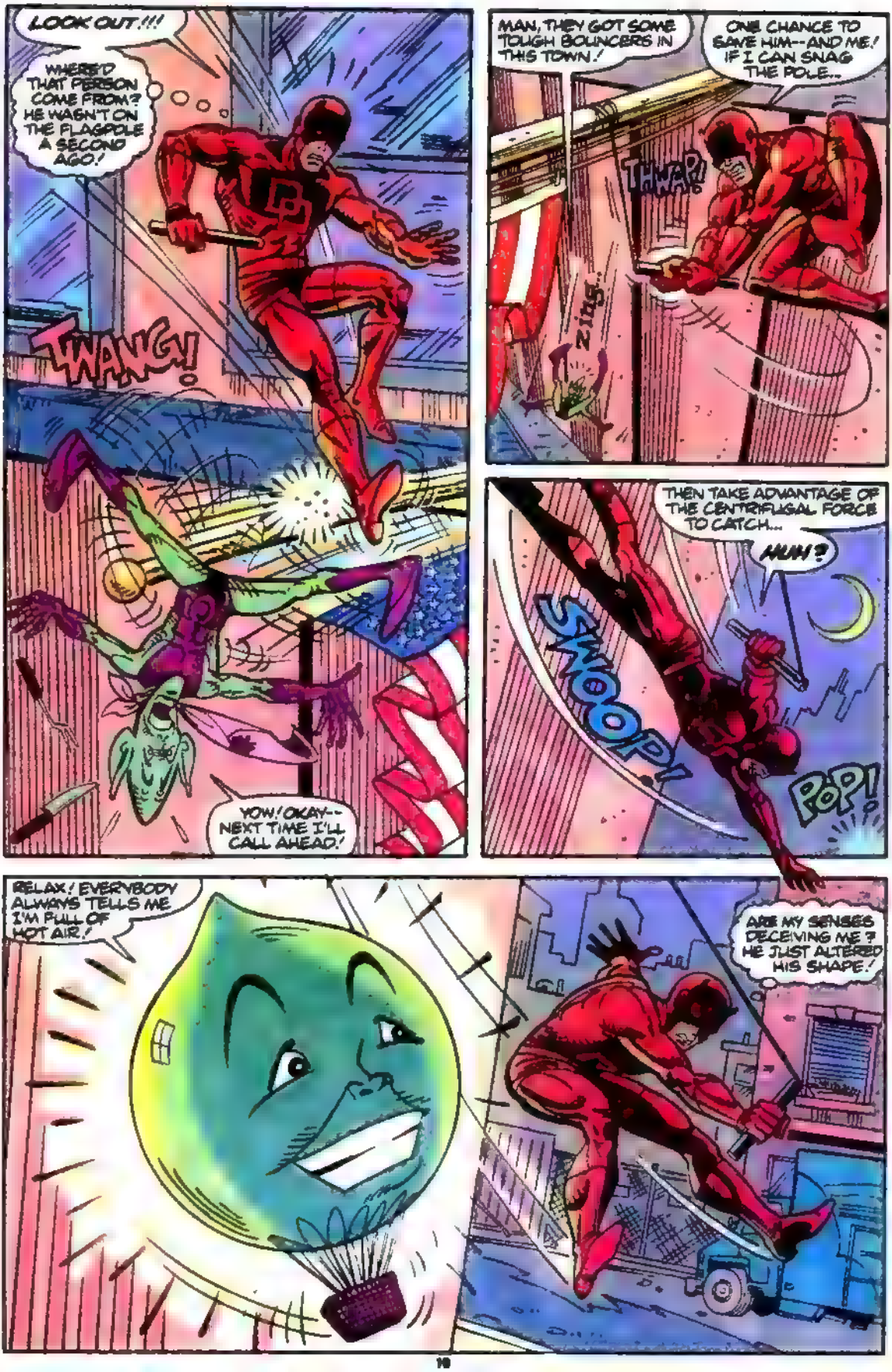
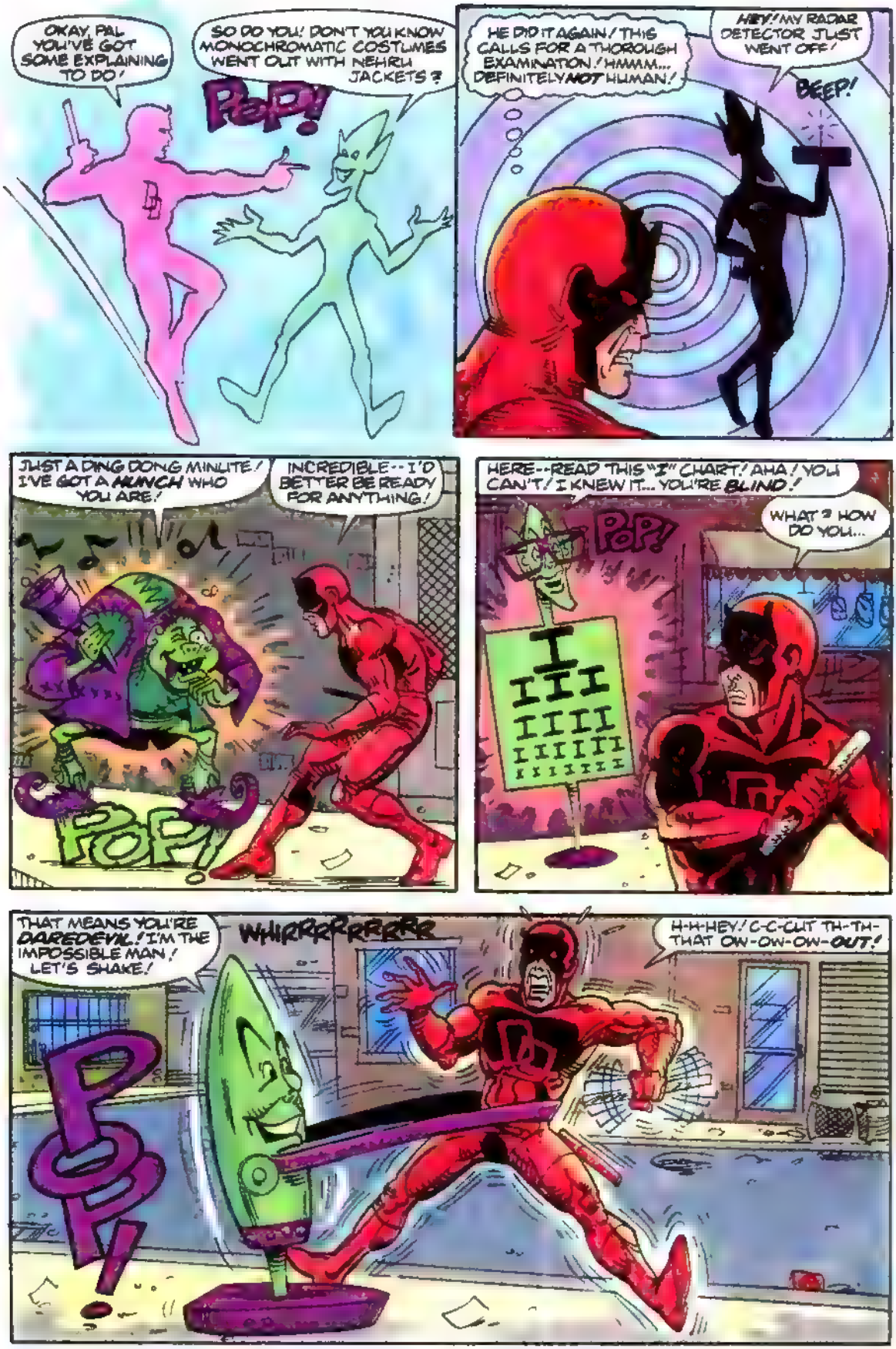
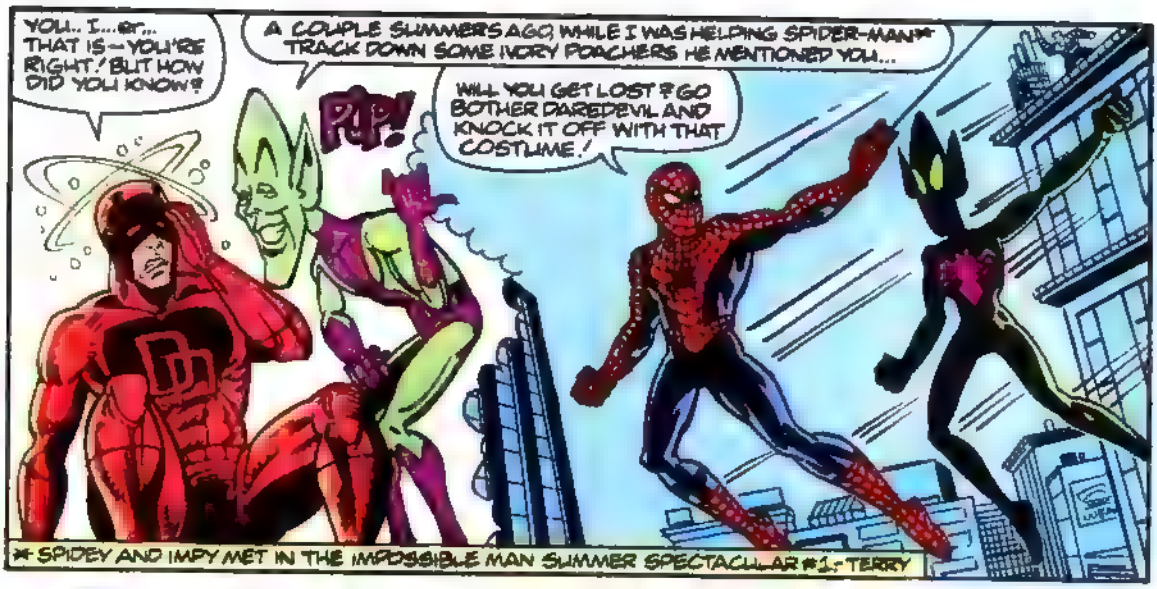
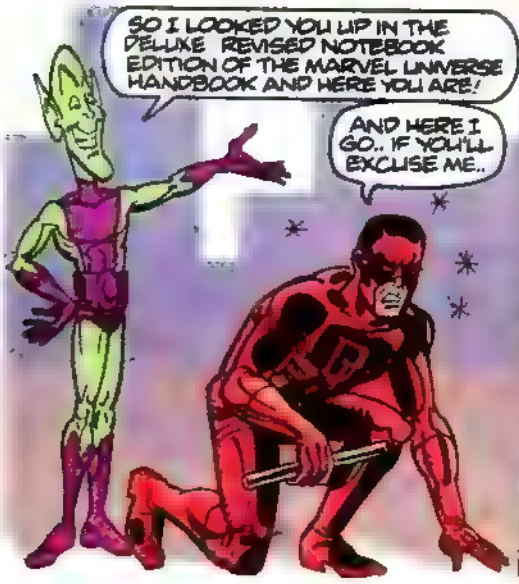

IMPOSSIBLE MAN
IN: TRUTH OR DAREDEVIL
PAY ATTENTION... THERE'LL BE A POP QUIZ LATER!
THIS PAST SUMMER, THE IMPOSSIBLE MAN JOURNEYED BACK TO EARTH IN SEARCH OF HIS MISSING SON. ENDOWED WITH INSTANTANEOUS SHAPE-CHANGING ABILITY AND A RECKLESS SENSE OF HUMOR, HE SPENT DAYS FRUITLESSLY COMBING THE PLANET. THIS IS THE STORY OF ONE FRUITY NIGHT...
POP!
OH, BOY! THE LAST NEW YORKER I ASKED ABOUT MY LIL' IMP TOLD ME "GO TO HELL'S KITCHEN!"... HOPE I DON'T NEED A RESERVATION!
HEY!


LOOK OUT!!!
WHERE'D THAT PERSON COME FROM? HE WASN'T ON THE FLAGPOLE A SECOND AGO!
TWANG!
YOW! OKAY-- NEXT TIME I'LL CALL AHEAD!
MAN, THEY GOT SOME TOUGH BOUNCERS IN THIS TOWN!
ONE CHANCE TO SAVE HIM--AND ME! IF I CAN SNAG THE POLE...
THWAP!
ZING
THEN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE CENTRIFUGAL FORCE TO CATCH...
HUH?
SWOOP!
POP!
RELAX! EVERYBODY ALWAYS TELLS ME I'M FULL OF HOT AIR!
ARE MY SENSES DECEIVING ME? HE JUST ALTERED HIS SHAPE!

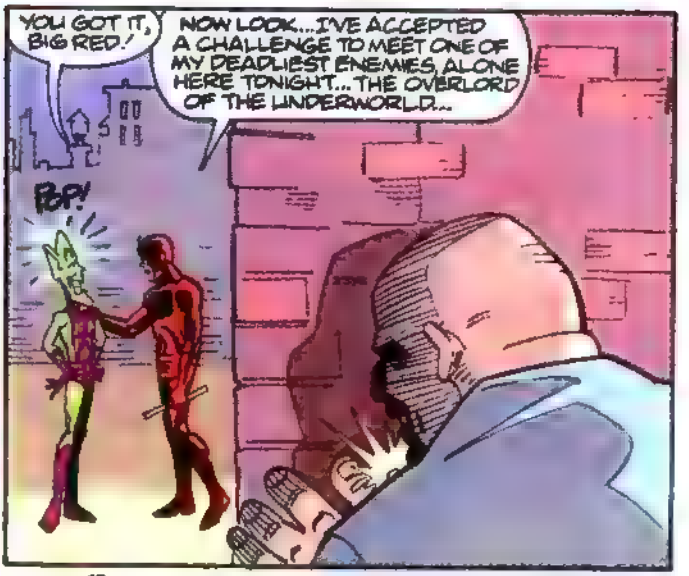

OKAY, PAL YOU'VE GOT SOME EXPLAINING TO DO!
SO DO YOU! DON'T YOU KNOW MONOCHROMATIC COSTUMES WENT OUT WITH NEHRU JACKETS?
POP!
HE DID IT AGAIN! THIS CALLS FOR A THOROUGH EXAMINATION! HMMM... DEFINITELY NOT HUMAN!
HEY! MY RADAR DETECTOR JUST WENT OFF!
BEEP!
JUST A DING DONG MINUTE! I'VE GOT A HUNCH WHO YOU ARE!
INCREDIBLE--I'D BETTER BE READY FOR ANYTHING!
POP!
HERE--READ THIS "I" CHART! AHA! YOU CAN'T! I KNEW IT... YOU'RE BLIND!
WHAT? HOW DO YOU...
POP!
THAT MEANS YOU'RE DAREDEVIL! I'M THE IMPOSSIBLE MAN! LET'S SHAKE!
WHIRRRRRRRR
H-H-HEY! C-C-CUT TH-TH-THAT ON-ON-ON-OUT!
POP!


YOU.. I...er.. THAT IS—YOU'RE RIGHT! BUT HOW DID YOU KNOW?
A COUPLE SUMMERS AGO, WHILE I WAS HELPING SPIDER-MAN* TRACK DOWN SOME IVORY POACHERS HE MENTIONED YOU...
POP!
WILL YOU GET LOST? GO BOTHER DAREDEVIL AND KNOCK IT OFF WITH THAT COSTUME!
*SPIDEY AND IMPY MET IN THE IMPOSSIBLE MAN SUMMER SPECTACULAR #1.- TERRY

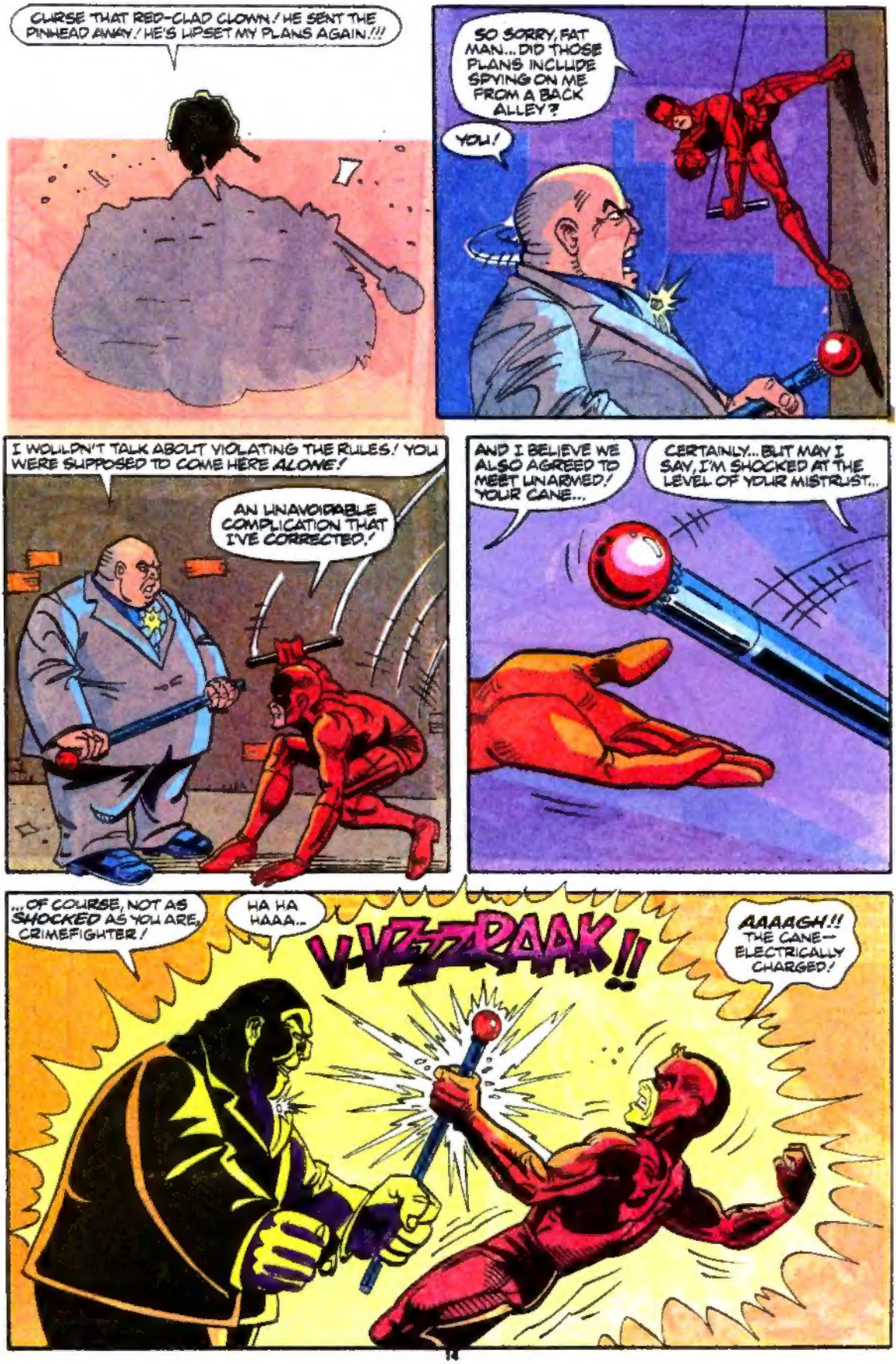

SO I LOOKED YOU UP IN THE DELUXE REVISED NOTEBOOK EDITION OF THE MARVEL UNIVERSE HANDBOOK AND HERE YOU ARE!
AND HERE I GO.. IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME..

AW, C'MON! I CAN REALLY BE AN ASSET, SEE? OH... SORRY...
NO THANK YOU... I'M VERY BUSY TONIGHT!
POOD!

DOING WHAT? OH, TELL ME, TELL ME OR I'LL BE ALL OVER YOU LIKE A CHEAP SUIT!
OKAY, OKAY JUST POP BACK TO NORMAL!
POP POP!


YOU GOT IT, BIG RED!
NOW LOOK... I'VE ACCEPTED A CHALLENGE TO MEET ONE OF MY DEADLIEST ENEMIES, ALONE HERE TONIGHT... THE OVERLORD OF THE UNDERWORLD...
POP!

..."THE KINGPIN."!
SO! DAREDEVIL ISN'T ALONE! HE'S BROUGHT SOME MISCHIEVOUS NEW COSTUMED CRIMEFIGHTER TO ASSIST HIM... OR DID HE?
KLINK!
JUDGING BY THE WAY THEY'RE ARGUING, DAREDEVIL DOESN'T WANT HIM AROUND! BUT I COULD CERTAINLY FIND WORK FOR A PERSON WITH SUCH UNUSUAL POWERS...
AW, PLEASE, DEE DEE? CAN'T I HELP YOU, PRETTY PLEASE?
THAT HEARTBEAT BEHIND ME... IT'S HIM! I'VE GOT TO LOSE THIS LUNATIC...
Umm... OKAY, IMPY YOU CAN!
WHAT I NEED TO SOLVE THIS CASE IS... UH... ALL TEN FINALISTS OF THE 1989 MISS UNIVERSE PAGEANT... IN THEIR SWIMSUITS!
CUE THE THEME FROM "MISSION IMPOSSIBLE MAN!"
THAT OUGHT TO KEEP HIM BUSY!
SNAP!
POP!
AFTER I DISPOSE OF DAREDEVIL, I'LL MAKE THAT SKINNY GREEN FELLOW AN OFFER HE CAN'T... HEY! WHERE ARE THEY GOING?


CURSE THAT RED-CLAD CLOWN! HE SENT THE PINHEAD AWAY! HE'S UPSET MY PLANS AGAIN!!!
SO SORRY, FAT MAN... DID THOSE PLANS INCLUDE SPYING ON ME FROM A BACK ALLEY?
YOU!
I WOULDN'T TALK ABOUT VIOLATING THE RULES! YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO COME HERE ALONE!
AN UNAVOIDABLE COMPLICATION THAT I'VE CORRECTED!
AND I BELIEVE WE ALSO AGREED TO MEET UNARMED! YOUR CANE...
CERTAINLY... BUT MAY I SAY, I'M SHOCKED AT THE LEVEL OF YOUR MISTRUST...
...OF COURSE, NOT AS SHOCKED AS YOU ARE, CRIMEFIGHTER!
HA HA HAAA..
VVZZTRAAK!!
AAAAGH!! THE CANE— ELECTRICALLY CHARGED!

SO SORRY... WEREN'T YOU WEARING FLESH COLORED INSULATED GLOVES?
Uhhh... CAN'T C-CONTROL... B-B-BODY...
DON'T WORRY, THE SHOCK WAS MEANT TO IMMOBILIZE YOU... NOT KILL YOU...
S-STAY... B-BACK...
I'M SAVING THAT FOR MYSELF... READY FOR PAIN, DEVIL?
POP!
OH YEAH! I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO ARRIVE WITH MOMENTS TO SPARE!
RUMBLE!
EH?... OH NO!
W-WHA--?
SO BE A NICE KINGPIN AND DO THE 7-10 SPLIT!
AAAAAAAAAAAAAA...
WHOK!
IMPOSSIBLE MAN!

WHATTA SHOT! RIGHT INTO THE EAST RIVER!
Y-YOU SAVED MY LIFE!
POP!
WHAT CAN I DO TO REPAY YOU?
DID YOU HAPPEN TO SPOT MY LOST SON...IMPETITE NUMBER 4,682?
GEE, NO... I'VE BEEN A LITTLE BUSY...
HEY, NO BIGGEE! BUT I'D BETTER GET BACK TO THE SEARCH. LATER, DOUBLE DEE!
POP!
WAIT... MAYBE I CAN HELP YOU LOOK NOW...
THAT'S OKAY... YOU'LL BE PLENTY BUSY.
SOMEBODY'S GOTTA GET THOSE MISS UNIVERSE GIRLS HOME!
YIPE!
Hmf...
Grrrrr...
Snarl...
I SURE HOPE YOU KNOW A GOOD LAWYER, BUSTER...
MISS ICELAND
MISS JAMAICA
MISS USA
The End.